

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 were acted upon in the aforesaid Office Action. Claims 12-25 have been withdrawn. Claims 4 and 11 have been canceled and no new claim has been added, leaving claims 1-3 and 5-10 for consideration.

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 for including language not found in the English version of the specification, namely, "cuttingly severed from the workpiece". Claim 1 has been extensively amended with a view to using the same language as appears in the specification.

Claim 7 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112. It is believed that the amendments herein to claim 1 resolve the formal difficulty with claim 7. Claim 7 has been amended, also, to make clear that the "adhesive device" is an "adhesive dispensing device".

Claims 1-10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 for indefiniteness in use of several terms in the claims. All the claims have been reviewed and amended to render clear and definite the metes and bounds of the claims.

Claims 1-6 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Publication No. US 2003/0206211 - Baron.

Baron shows and describes an apparatus for effecting scoring and printing, wherein the scoring is said to comprise a part of a printing operation.

Claim 1 is limited to a method for producing blanks from workpieces by any one of cutting, creasing, perforating, scoring and folding workpieces in longitudinal and transverse processing lines, and by other processing lines, not longitudinally nor transversely extending. The blanks are thus produced by working lines into the blank, which lines are longitudinally and transversely extending, and are further produced by a further processing device which is movable parallel to the workpiece in the movement of the workpiece along the longitudinal or transverse line. In Baron, there is shown and described a method which includes a printer (93) for producing a graphical representation with scoring indicia (26) applied thereto. The graphical representation is first printed by a printing head (93) and then scored by a scoring head (94). The scoring head is provided with perforating pins for dimpling the graphical representation media sufficient to weaken the media for a tear-line.

In claim 1 of the instant application, there is set forth a method including producing from a workpiece blanks having longitudinal and transverse processed lines, and then producing other processing lines that run in directions other than longitudinal and transverse, by a processing device that is movable parallel to the workpiece.

Claim 4 has been canceled and the language of that claim has been incorporated into claim 1 to make clear that at least some of the other processing lines are "cut lines" produced by a cutter.

In claims 2 and 3, the other processing lines are limited to cut lines as opposed to score lines, fold lines, and the like.

Claim 1 appears to distinguish from Baron, which relates to a combination of a printer and a scorer, while claim 1 relates to a blank producer which provides first for blanks processed in two normal directions, and secondly processed in directions other than the two normal directions in which the blanks are first processed.

Claims 2-10 all depend directly or ultimately from claim 1. Claims 2 and 3 limit the "other" processing of the blanks to producing cut lines.

Claims 1 and 7-10 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,129,040 - Viggiano, which relates to an apparatus for applying adhesive to a semi-conductor chip mounting surface.

In view of the several amendments to claim 1, it appears that claim 1 now readily stands clear of the teachings of Viggiano.

Claims 7-10, though pertaining to adhesive dispensing, depend directly or ultimately from claim 1 and would appear to be allowable, at least through dependency.

In view of the amendments to claims 1-3 and 5-10, it is believed that claims 1-3 and 5-10 are now in condition for allowance, which is most respectfully requested.

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